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Applicant : Sean Mountcastle
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TC/A.U. : 2662
Examiner : Brian S. Roberts
Docket No. : CISC696
Customer No. : 26541
Title : PARTIONING A NETWORK ELEMENT INTO
MULTIPLE VIRTUAL NETWORK ELEMENTS

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AMENDMENT B

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.